

## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

**Please amend the Claims as follows:**

1. (Currently Amended) A stringed instrument pick, comprising:

an approximately L-shaped configuration defined by a first face, a second face, and a curved peripheral lip; ~~and~~

at least one raised grip pad formed over at least a portion of said first face pick, wherein said at least one raised grip pad comprises at least one first edge, and wherein said at least one edge is received by and interfaces with a groove of at least one of a fingerprint or ~~and~~ a thumb print; and

at least one additional raised grip pad arranged parallel to said at least one raised grip pad and formed over at least a portion of said second face, wherein said at least one additional grip pad comprises at least one second edge arranged parallel to the first edge, and wherein said at least one additional edge is received by and interfaces with a groove of at least one of a finger print and a thumb print.

2-3 (Canceled).

4. (Currently Amended) The stringed instrument pick of Claim 1, wherein at least one sharply angled edge of said ~~at least one raised grip pads~~ is received by and interfaces with a groove at least one of the fingerprint or ~~and~~ the thumb print.

5. (Previously Presented) The stringed instrument pick of Claim 1, wherein said curved peripheral lip engages the natural curvature of a user's finger or thumb surface.

6. (Canceled)

7. (Previously Presented) The stringed instrument pick of Claim 1, wherein said at least one raised grip pad is formed over at least one of said first face, said second face, and said curved peripheral lip.

8. (Previously Presented) The stringed instrument pick of Claim 1, wherein said at least one raised grip pad is formed over at least a portion of at least one of said first face, said second face, and said curved peripheral lip.

9. (Canceled)

10. (Currently Amended) A stringed instrument pick, comprising:

a first face and a second face, wherein ~~at least one of said first face and said second face~~ comprises at least one raised grip pad formed over at least a portion thereof, said at least one raised grip pad comprising at least one edge, wherein said at least one edge is received by and interfaces with a user's fingerprint groove, and wherein at least one additional raised grip pad is disposed on said second face and arranged parallel to said at least one raised grip pad of said first face.

11. (Previously Presented) The stringed instrument pick of Claim 10, wherein said pick further comprises a curved peripheral lip, and wherein said curved peripheral lip engages the natural curvature of the user's finger or thumb surface.

12. (Canceled)

13. (Previously Presented) The stringed instrument pick of Claim 10, wherein at least one sharply angled edge of said at least one raised grip pad is received by and interfaces with the user's fingerprint groove.

14. (Currently Amended) A stringed instrument pick, comprising:

a configuration defined by a first face, a second face opposed to said first face, and a curved peripheral lip, wherein at least one of said first face and said second face comprises at least one raised grip pad formed over at least a portion thereof, said at least one raised grip pad comprising at least one edge on one of said first and second faces and at least one additional edge on the opposing face, said at least one additional edge being arranged parallel to said at least one edge, wherein said at least one edge is received by and interfaces with a user's fingerprint groove.

15. (Previously Presented) The stringed instrument pick of Claim 14, wherein said curved peripheral lip engages the natural curvature of the user's finger or thumb surface.

16. (Canceled)

17. (Previously Presented) The stringed instrument pick of Claim 14, wherein at least one sharply angled edge of said at least one raised grip pad is received by and interfaces with the user's fingerprint groove.

18. (Currently Amended) A stringed instrument pick, comprising:

a configuration defined by a first face, a second face, and a sloped peripheral lip, wherein ~~at least one of said first face and said second face comprises a plurality of raised grip pads formed over at least a portion thereof, each raised grip pad of said plurality of grip pads of said first face being parallel to each grip pad of said plurality of grip pads of said second face,~~ wherein each raised grip pad of said plurality of raised grip pads comprises at least one edge, and wherein each said at least one edge of each said raised grip pad is received by and interfaces with a user's fingerprint grooves.

19. (Previously Presented) The stringed instrument pick of Claim 18, wherein said sloped peripheral lip engages the natural curvature of the user's finger or thumb surface.

20. (Previously Presented) The stringed instrument pick of Claim 18, wherein at least one raised grip pad of said plurality of raised grip pads is formed over at least a portion of said sloped peripheral lip.

21. (Previously Presented) The stringed instrument pick of Claim 18, wherein at least one sharply angled edge of each said raised grip pad is received by and interfaces with the user's fingerprint grooves.